

RUSHDEN TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 1ST JUNE 2021 AT RUSHDEN HALL, RUSHDEN COMMENCING AT 7.30PM

Present: Councillor: Sarah Peacock – Chairman

Councillors: Richard Lewis Philip Humphrey
Cameron Clarke Adrian Winkle
Gill Mercer Andy Mercer
Adrian House David Coleman
Colin Wright. Janet Pinnock
Melanie Coleman [Ex officio]

Town Clerk: Vivienne Prodger

22/22 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

It was resolved that Cllr Sarah Peacock be appointed as Chairman for the Policy and Resources Committee for the year 2021/2022

23/22 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

It was resolved that Cllr Philip Humphrey be appointed as Vice Chairman for the Policy and Resources Committee for the year 2021/2022.

24/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Philip Humphrey declared a 'bias' interest, on agenda item 6 Approval of Payments, and left the room when this item was discussed and took no part in discussion and voting thereon.

25/22 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Steven North, Barbara Jenney, David Jenney and Cesare Marinaro

26/22 MINUTES

The minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting of 22nd April 2021 had been previously circulated to members and it was

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on the 22nd April 2021 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

27/22 APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS

Members had been circulated with details of payments made since 6th April 2021 amounting to £88,278.15

RESOLVED

That payments amounting to £88,278.15 be approved (as attached to these minutes).

28/22 COMMUNITY GRANTS

Members considered the following Community Grant application:

- a) East Northants Community Services

RESOLVED

To award a Community Grant of £3,625 to East Northants Community Services.

29/22 SHOP FRONT IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Members considered the following Shop Front Grant application:

- a) The Elegance Lounge

RESOLVED

To award a shop front grant to The Elegance Lounge for £650.00

30/22 CODE OF CONDUCT

Members had been previously circulated with a copy of the North Northamptonshire Code of Conduct for Parishes and Towns.

RESOLVED

To recommend to Council that the current Code of Conduct issued by North Northamptonshire Council for Parishes and Towns be adopted.

31/22 POLICIES

Members had been circulated with the following policies; Safe Guarding, Grant Aid, Risk Management and Press and Media.

These policies were scrutinized by members and subject to amendments discussed it was

RESOLVED

- a) Safe Guarding Policy be approved and recommended for signing by the Mayor at Full Council.
- b) Grant Aid Policy be approved and recommended for signing by the Mayor at Full Council.
- c) Risk Management be approved and recommended for signing by the Mayor at Full Council.
- d) Press and Media be approved and recommended for signing by the Mayor at Full Council.

32/22 DRUG DOGS

The Chairman advised that North Northamptonshire Council have requested that we continue to support the Drugs Dog initiative that was set up in 2020. We had originally agreed to support this scheme but it was postponed due to Covid 19. Members considered this request and it was therefore

RESOLVED

To fund the North Northamptonshire Council Drugs Dog initiative to the value of £412